



Product Alert

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Type of Notification: Misrepresentation of non-FM Approved Product

FM Approvals has discovered non-FM Approved Jinan Meide Casting Co Ltd mechanical crosses incorrectly bearing the FM Approvals certification mark.

Company Identify: Jinan Meide Casting Co. Ltd
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Product Identity: Fittings, Side Outlet, Rigid
Description: Mechanical Cross, Threaded Outlet
Make/Model: Model 4JS Light Duty Mechanical Cross, Threaded Outlet
FM Approval Status: Not FM Approved

Hazard Involved: The Model 4JS has not been tested or examined by FM Approvals so the performance and reliability characteristics are unknown.

If you suspect you are in possession of any Model 4JS mechanical crosses bearing the FM Approvals certification marking, please bring that to the attention of:

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Figure 1 shows a side by side comparison of a Model 4JS mechanical cross on the left, incorrectly marked as FM Approved, and a Model 3JS mechanical tee for the same size pipe run, correctly marked as FM Approved. The Model 4JS mechanical cross is made up of two parts very similar to the upper part of the Model 3JS. The incorrect Model 4JS crosses were mistakenly assembled with two parts from the Model 3JS.



Figure 1. An example of the non-FM Approved Model 4JS mechanical cross on the left, and an FM Approved Model 3JS mechanical tee on the right

Figure 2 shows the markings on one side of the assembly that was marked and shipped as the Model 4JS mechanical cross. Both the model marking “3JS” and the FM Approvals marking incorrectly appear on both sides of the assembly.



Figure 2. Top view of one of the products shipped as the Model 4JS mechanical cross, incorrectly showing the Model 3JS marking.